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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL TWINING

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Subject: East German Armed Forces

The following is furnished in response to your query regarding the size of the East German Armed Forces:

a. Army

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| 7 Divisions | 75,000 |
| 26 Bns, Border Police | 30,000 |
| Interior Security Troops | 15,000 |
| | 120,000 |

b. Navy

| | | |
|---------------------|---|--------|
| 2 Destroyer Escorts |) | |
| 31 Patrol Craft |) | 10,000 |
| 60 Mine Vessels |) | |
| 4 Auxiliaries |) | |

c. Air Force

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| 175 MIG 15/17's |) | |
| 10 Transports |) | 8,000 |
| 35 Jet Trainers |) | |

Very respectfully,

CHAIRMAN'S STAFF GROUP

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ALLIED FORCES IN BERLIN

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| U.S. | | 4784 |
| | Hd Berlin Cmd | |
| | 2nd BG, 6th Inf | |
| | 3rd BG, 6th Inf | |
| | COF, 40th Armor | |
| UK | | 2941 |
| | Berlin Independent Brig | |
| | 1st Bn, Kings Own Border | |
| | 1st Bn, Royal Scots | |
| | 1st Bn, Border EGT | |
| | B Sqd 14/20 Hussars | |
| FRENCH | | 2099 |
| | 46th Inf Bn | |
| | 11th Tank Des Bn | |
| | Gendarmarie Det | |
| | TOTAL ALLIED | 9824 |
| West Berlin Police | | <u>4500</u> |
| | | 14,324 |
| U.S. Civilians Approx. | | 5,000 |

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SOVIET AND EAST GERMAN FORCES IN THE BERLIN AREA

SOVIET FORCES:

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|
| 1st Mtz Rifle Div | Dallgow | 11,000 |
| 10th Tank Div | Krempnitz | 9,000 |
| 6th Gds Mtz Rif Div | Bernau | 11,000 |
| 34th Arty Div | Potsdam | 4,500 |
| 6 Separate Gds Bns | Berlin | 3,000 |
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| | | 38,500 |

EAST GERMAN:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------|
| SGP (Elite Guard) Regt | Berlin | 3,000 |
| SAP (Sec Alert Police) | | |
| Regt | Basdorf | 1,400 |
| Regt | Potsdam | 1,400 |
| BSP (Border Sec Pol) | Gross Glienicke | 3,000 |
| 1st Mtz Div | Potsdam | 7,000 |
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| | | 15,800 |

TOTAL SOVIET AND E. GERMAN FORCES: 54,300

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